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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS

SUBJECT: NIEHOUS KIDNAPPING

REF: CARACAS 4223

1. A MR. CONNALLY, LEGAL COUNSEL TO OWENS-ILLINOIS, CALLED APRIL 13 FROM TOLEDO TO REQUEST APPOINTMENT TO DISCUSS NEXT STEPS ON NIEHOUS KIDNAPPING. HE SAID THAT MR. FRANK LYNCH, O-I SECURITY CHIEF, IS NOW IN CHARGE OF RELEASE EFFORT WITHIN O-I AND WOULD ACCOMPANY HIM TO WASHINGTON.

2. DEPT OFF (S/CCT) NOTED THAT UP TONOW O-I REPS IN CARACAS HAD KEPT OUR EMBASSY BROADLY INFORMED BUT O-I HAD HANDLED THE MATTER IN ITS OWN JUDGMENT AND ON ITS OWN RESPONSIBILITY. DID DESIRE TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH DEPARTMENT REFLECT A CHANGE IN THIS SITUATION? CONNALLY REPLIED THAT IT DID. WITHOUT EXPLICITLY SO STATING, HE IMPLIED THAT O-I FOUND ITSELF COMPLETELY FRUSTRATED IN ITS EFFORTS TO SECURE NIEHOUS' SAFE RELEASE AND SOUGHT USG HELP AND ADVICE.

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3. APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION AND VIEWS EMBASSY
MAY BE ABLE TO FURNISH PRIOR TO MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 1400
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